



# CITY OF BRAZIL

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## **BRAZIL ZONING APPEALS BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2010**

Present: Veda Bussing, Bob Kulow, Jasen Gibbens, Matt Pollom  
Absent: Matt Huber  
Also Present: Stacy Gibbens, Planning Administrator

Jasen Gibbens opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business: Petition for Variance from "Sign Ordinance" filed by Eddie Dickerson, owner of Bedwell Tire.

Stacy presents Petition, in which Mr. Dickerson is requesting permission to put a 10' X 20' structure on the side of his building so he can rent that space out for outdoor advertising. Stacy explains that she recently met with a representative from INDOT regarding another matter and during that conversation, this situation came up. Stacy advised the Board of INDOT's rules regarding outdoor advertising along controlled state highways and highways designated as Scenic Byways. SR 59 is a controlled state highway and US 40 has been designated a scenic byway. Any outdoor advertising to be erected along those roads must have State approval. Stacy explained that after the conversation with the INDOT representative, she gave Mr. Dickerson the INDOT representative's card and asked him to call.

Mr. Dickerson advised that he did call and received the same information. He advised that he has spoken to a couple people and has come up with an allowable alternative. Stacy advised that this allowable alternative would not require a variance from the BZA.

Jasen requested clarification regarding the present situation as to the Petition at hand. Specifically, he wanted to know if the business pictured on the advertising on the Petition was at that location. Mr. Dickerson explained that he had resisted many requests to advertise on his wall for years but with the current economic downturn, he was considering alternative means of income. He advised that in the past he had been approached by several businesses and he has spoken to some of them recently but has not made an agreement with anyone yet.

Stacy suggested in light of Mr. Dickerson's allowable alternative, Mr. Dickerson may want to rescind his Petition for Variance. Mr. Dickerson agreed that he would like to rescind his petition.

Jasen Gibbens asked for a Motion to approve the request to rescind the petition. Robert Kulow made a motion to approve the request to rescind the petition. Matt Pollum seconded it and the board voted unanimously, 4-0, to approve the request to rescind the petition.

The Board then discussed when its next meeting should be. Jasen suggested that the Board meet in January for its yearly organizational meeting and at that time set regularly scheduled meetings for the year. Jasen asked Stacy if the Board could meet quarterly. Stacy advised that with as much business as they had had recently, every other month should be considered, but that was entirely up to them. Jasen asked all members to bring their calendars for 2011 to minimize conflicts with the Board member's personal schedules. Jasen advised that a reminder would go out to all Board members regarding the organizational meeting. The Board agreed to set that meeting on **January 11, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.** Stacy advised that Clay Community Schools had called recently and requested a hearing regarding an extension of the temporary placement approval of the office trailer located at the bus garage. She advised that she would schedule that hearing on January 11, 2011 and would send out information regarding that request once she had received it in writing and published the notice of public hearing in the newspaper.

Robert Kulow moved to adjourn the meeting, Matt Pollum seconded, approved unanimously, meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by  
Stacy Gibbens  
Planning Administrator